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REPORT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT NETWORK AND LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP PROTOCOL AGREEMENT

The paper:

- (i) Reports back on the work undertaken by the Community Empowerment Network (CEN) coordinator and the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) officer on the development of a draft protocol for the CEN and LSP.
- (ii) Recommends to the KCP possible clauses to be included in the protocol agreement.

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Background

To support the national and London wide review process of all Community Empowerment Networks (CENs), the Government Office for London (GOL) circulated guidance in 2003 for the negotiation of CEN - LSP protocol agreements. The rationale behind the protocols was to ensure that relations between the CEN's and LSP's across the country met with the recommendations set out in the Local Government Act 2000 and in "*A New Commitment to Neighbourhood Renewal: National Strategy Action Plan*" published in January 2001 by the Neighbourhood Renewal Unit.

2. Development of the CEN-LSP Protocol

The Social Council and LSP officers have drawn upon the existing KCP Terms of Reference, the COMPACT and the CEN Terms of Reference in formulating the protocol agreement. Some parts of the protocol are already being implemented as good practice by the KC Partnership. The aim of the protocol is to provide guidance and to act as a tool for the future development of the Kensington and Chelsea Partnership.

The Steering Group is invited to:

- **Add or amend any of the sections written in bold, which are new additions**
- **Add to, remove or amend any of the sections not written in bold which are drawn from existing reference documents, outlined in section 1**

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